



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Finance Subcommittee on Litigation**

***Tuesday, February 18, 2014***

***11:00 AM***

***Cook County Building, Board Room, 569  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois***

**NOTICE AND AGENDA**

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

**13-2213**

**Sponsored by:** LARRY SUFFREDIN and PETER N. SILVESTRI, County Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**Creating "Accountability Charges" for Violations of the Shakman Consent Decree**

**WHEREAS**, violations of the Shakman Consent Decree cost Cook County over \$600,000 in Fiscal Year 2013 and millions of dollars in previous fiscal years; and

**WHEREAS**, payments for violations of the Shakman Consent Decree are deducted from the Cook County Self-Insurance Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no financial penalty to individual departments that violate the Shakman Consent Decree; And

**NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Litigation of the Cook County Board of Commissioners ~~Budget Director and the Chief Financial Officer of Cook County~~ shall develop a plan to assess an "Accountability Charge" against any Department that is found to be in violation of the Shakman Consent Decree in Fiscal Year 2013~~4~~ and future years; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the "Accountability Charge" plan shall ~~be~~ include a deduction in the operating funds of the Department in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount assessed for the violation of the Shakman Consent Decree and the deducted funds shall be transferred to the Cook County Self Insurance Fund;

~~**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Budget Director and the Chief Financial Officer of Cook County shall report to the Cook County Board of Commissioners about the establishment and implementation of "Accountability Charges" by March 1, 2014.~~

**Legislative History :** 11/13/13 Board of Commissioners referred to the Finance Committee

**Legislative History :** 12/4/13 Finance Committee referred to the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

*Carol Rios for Simon Rios v. County of Cook*

*Michael Grills (Estate of Baby Grills) v. County of Cook*

*Mykala Dandridge, et al., v. County of Cook*

*Fields & Chandler v. Cook County, et al.*

*Lambert v. Jamison, et al.*

*Patrick Blanchard v. Joseph Berrios*

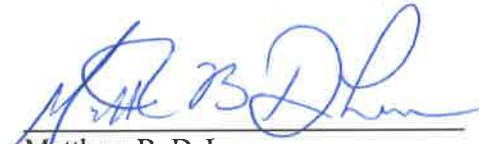
*Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department*

*Gwendolyn Bell v. County of Cook, et al.*

*James Degorski v. Cook Country Sheriff, et al.*

*United States of America v. Cook County, et al.*

**\*THIS SUBCOMMITTEE ROUTINELY MEETS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

  
Matthew B. DeLeon  
Secretary

Chairman: Silvestri

Vice-Chairman: Fritchey

Members: Collins, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin, Tobolski